



2007 Summer Programs

Weekly Programs

Pig War Story Guided Walk - Park rangers and volunteers describe events leading up to and including the Pig War and the peaceful joint occupation of San Juan Island by British and American troops. *Walks are scheduled at American Camp 11:30 a.m., Saturdays, June 2 to September 1.*

Living History: Life during the Joint Military Occupation on San Juan Island - Park rangers and volunteers create military and civilian life during the island's early pioneer period. Activities include blacksmithing, coopering, weaving, needlework and exhibitions of military equipment and skills. *12:30 to 3:30 p.m., Saturdays, June 2 to August 25, English Camp parade ground.*

Wildlife in the San Juan Islands - Puzzled by an animal or bird? Wolf Hollow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center Education Coordinator Shona Aitken answers questions and uses a variety of media to talk about wildlife in the San Juan Islands. *1 to 3 p.m., Fridays, June 8 to August 31, English Camp barracks.*

Special Programs

Ancient Visitors: Tracing the pre- history of San Juan Island through archaeology — University of Washington archaeologist, Dr. Julie Stein, traces ancient habitation of San Juan Island in this guided walk on the American Camp prairie. *10 a.m., Saturday, June 2, South Beach main parking area at American Camp.*

The Birds of American Camp – Come join San Juan Island bird expert and former national park ranger Barbara Jensen for a colorful 90- minute walk through American Camp's prairies. The program is suitable for beginning as well as veteran birders and provides insights into the park's rich flora and fauna. *7:30 a.m., Sunday, June 3, American Camp visitor center.*

Intertidal Walk at Grandma's Cove - - Learn about plant and animal life, from algae to invertebrate animals, during this tide pool walk with biologists Mike Kaill and Bob Lemon. Bring rubber boots and an old towel for use as a knee -pad and hand wiper. Also bring sun screen, rain gear. Some agility is required for jumping around slippery rocks. *9 a.m., Sunday, June 3, American Camp visitor center parking area.*

Mountain in the Clouds: Saving the Wild Salmon of the Olympic Peninsula - Author Bruce Brown re- visits his classic 1980s book about threatened wild salmon in light of the proposed removal of dams on the Elwha River in Olympic National Park. *2 p.m., Saturday, June 9, English Camp barracks.*

Otter Pelts and Silk: The Quest for Empire in the Pacific Northwest – Learn about San Juan island's direct connection to the China trade and the struggle for empire among the Spanish, British and United States fur trading companies and governments in this 90- minute program with historian Mike Vouri. *2 p.m., Saturday, June 16, English Camp barracks.*

A Weaving Legacy- - Join Cowlitz Nation weaver Judy Bridges and Fort Nisqually interpreter and storyteller Karen Haas for a fun afternoon of weaving with all- natural fibers, including wild reeds. Bridges is a direct descendent of Hudson's Bay Company pioneers. – *All day, Saturday, June 23, English Camp parade ground.*

In Concert: Sugar on the Floor— Folk singer Michael Cohen and the group "Sugar on the Floor" present a variety of songs from the 19th century and other genres. Cohen has worked with the Smithsonian Institution in searching for and cataloging American folk tunes. *7 p.m., Saturday, June 23, English Camp barracks*

Pickett's Irish: The Irish in the U.S. Army in the 1850's – Historian Mike Vouri and folk musician Michael Cohen present this new program that takes a closer look at the Irish in the U.S. Army in words and song. *2 p.m., Saturday, June 30, English Camp barracks.*

Life and Times of General George Pickett— Park Ranger Mike Vouri and folk musician Michael Cohen join with the San Juan Community Theatre in presenting an evening of drama and song as George Pickett comes back to life to talk about his days on the frontier and Civil War battlefields. *Friday, July 6 and Friday, August 24. All shows 7:30 p.m., San Juan Community Theatre. Tickets: \$10.00 adults, \$6.00 students.*



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Gunsmithing on the Frontier – NPS volunteer Greg Hertel explains the attributes, use and repair of a variety of 19th century firearms. In addition to demonstrations of disassembling for cleaning he also will discuss how 19th century development of arms spurred changed tactics during the American Civil War. *1 p.m., Saturday, July 7, English Camp parade ground.*

The People of the Cedar — Richard Vanderway, education coordinator for Bellingham's Whatcom Museum, makes his seventh annual presentation in the park with an array of objects to provide a glimpse of Northwest Coast Indian culture. *2 p.m., Saturday, July 14, English Camp barracks.*

Northwest Pioneer Folkways Demonstrations - Janet Oakley, education coordinator for the Skagit County Historical Museum in LaConner, demonstrates pioneer folkways from butter churning to Dutch oven baking and other tasks. *Noon to 3 p.m., Saturday, July 21, English Camp parade ground.*

First Nations Flute Concert - - Paul Wagner of the Saanich (Northwest Coast Salish) tribe comes from a lineage of Shneh'em, medicine people who in healing use many tools, including music. Paul also plays the *mbira* and *Chipendani* from Zimbabwe, *digeredoo*, guitar, bass and drum. He has performed extensively throughout the Pacific Northwest. *2 p.m., Saturday, July 28, English Camp parade or barracks.*

Coppice Crafts: Take home a garden accessory that you make yourself in this workshop on green woodworking. - - Roger Ellison and Anita Barreca will demonstrate some tools and techniques useful in working small round wood and willow rods. Participants will have a hands- on opportunity to make and take home their own small coppice craft project, such as a plant teepee, trellis, or woven garden edging. *1 p.m., Saturday, August 4, English Camp barracks.*

Safe Passage: The U.S. Coast Survey Steamer *Active* on the West Coast in the 1850s: The Coast Survey Steamer *Active* not only performed hydrographic surveys on coastal and inland waterways, but also played a key role in the settlement of the region. Historian Mike Vouri presents this Power Point slide program based on current research. *2 p.m., Saturday, August 11, English Camp barracks.*

Dresses, Drawers & More: The Importance of Dress and Style in the 1860s – Veteran Living Historian Sandee MacKinnon and Wendy Johannes will demonstrate first hand how complicated and time consuming dressing was for the 19th century woman. *1 p.m., Sunday, August 19, English Camp barracks.*

Encampment 2007— Join park staff, volunteers and re- enactors from throughout the region as they recreate life on San Juan Island at mid- 19th century. Encampment 2007 includes camp life, blacksmithing, woodworking, drilling and cookery. Highlight of the weekend is Saturday's **Candlelight Ball**, an evening of dancing and refreshments from 7 to 10 p.m. — *English Camp: Saturday and Sunday, August 25- 26, All day.*

All programs are free and open to the public, except where noted. Programs are subject to change without prior notice. For updates and accessibility information, call San Juan Island National Historical Park at (360)378- 2902 or (360)378- 2240; or visit our web site at <http://www.nps.gov/sajh>.

